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ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION
 FOR WEEK ENDING 20-Aug-05 (THOUSAND HEAD)

	CURRENT WEEK	PREVIOUS WEEK
	08/20/05	08/13/05
Broiler/fryer	168,293	166,292
Light hens	1,288	1,113
Heavy hens	1,708	1,668

U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN CANADA

	WEEK ENDING 10-Aug-05 (THOUSAND HEAD)		
	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
Head	240	0	240
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	51	4	55
Same week yr ago	221	0	221
To-date/2005	8,275	37	8,312
To-date/2004	7,833	90	7,923

SOURCE: AGRICULTURE CANADA, POULTRY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

Total U. S. fowl slaughter in the U. S. and Canada

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
Head	1,427	1,720	3,147
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	1,325	1,707	3,032
Same week yr ago	1,666	1,498	3,164
To-date/2005	56,573	45,401	101,974
To-date/2004	51,107	42,344	93,451

LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION
 WEEK ENDING 13-AUGUST-05 (THOUSAND HEAD)

	YOUNG CHICKENS	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
Head	168,700	1,187	1,720	2,907
Avg Wt	5.18	3.40	7.92	6.07
Head sltr comparisons				
Last week	169,836	1,274	1,703	2,977
Same wk yr ago	161,051	1,445	1,498	2,943
Avg Wt	5.18	3.29	7.98	5.68
To-date/2005	5,149,004	48,298	45,364	93,662
To-date/2004	4,983,039	43,274	42,254	85,528

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 167.6 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period 170.7 million head or 3.1 million more than estimated available.

YOUNG CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION,
CLASSIFIED BY LIVE WEIGHT, WEEK ENDING 06-Aug-05

	(A) FAST FOOD/FOOD SERVICE 4.20 LBS & DOWN	(B) RETAIL 4.21-5.25 LBS	(C) DEBONING 5.26 LBS & UP
	-----THOUSANDS-----		
Head	28,338	24,821	50,352
Avg Weight	3.79	4.73	6.39
% of total /1	27%	24%	49%
Last week	29,335	24,031	43,556
Avg Weight	3.69	4.85	6.39
% of total /1	30%	25%	45%
Same week, yr ago /2	24,725	21,139	50,540
Avg Weight	3.72	4.70	6.29
% of total /1	26%	22%	52%
To date/2005	857,295	699,223	1,508,188
To date/2004	820,276	678,156	1,393,904

/1 MAY NOT TOTAL TO 100% DUE TO ROUNDING

/2 COMPARABLE WEEK

- (A) This weight class generally denotes chickens marketed in the fast food and food service industries. May also include Cornish hens.
- (B) This weight class generally denotes chickens marketed in the retail industry.
- (C) This weight class generally denotes chickens used in further processing. May also include heavy roasters sold in retail channels.

LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED WEEK ENDING 13-AUG-05
(THOUSAND HEAD)

	YOUNG (B)		YOUNG	OLD	
	HENS	TOMS	BREEDERS	BREEDERS	TOTAL
Head	2,000	2,603	37	3	4,643
Avg Wt	16.20	35.36	24.24	25.53	27.01
Head sltr comparisons					
Last week	2,067	2,592	10	5	4,674
Same wk yr ago	1,691	2,516	90	24	4,321
Avg Wt	15.90	35.62	23.94	29.42	26.75
To-date/2005	55,206	81,737	763	121	137,827
To-date/2004	55,321	81,035	1,577	239	138,172

SOURCE: USDA/AMS POULTRY PROGRAMS, MARKET NEWS BRANCH.
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